

OLD CATTON PARISH COUNCIL, MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE,
HELD AT 7.00 PM ON MONDAY 14TH MAY 2012,
AT THE PAVILION, CHURCH STREET

PRESENT: Chairman - Mr B Sabberton-Coe
Mr J Arnott Mr C Green Mr B Honess
Mr B Leggett Mr D Thompson Mr G Tingle
Miss P Wilkin

APOLOGIES: Mrs A Chandler

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

109. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mr D Thompson declared his interest as a Trustee of Catton Park Trust.

110. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 16.4.2012

The minutes of the meeting, which had been confirmed and adopted by the Council, were signed by the Chairman.

111. PLANNING

111.1. Planning application.

Recommendations were made as the attached list.

111.2. Development at Spixworth Road

- S106 agreement. It was noted that the agreement had been signed and that the money for recreation would be payable before any construction began.
- Archaeological dig. It was noted that the some artefacts had been discovered and would be presented to the Council. It was thought that the site of the new car park would reveal further artefacts when it was investigated.
- Use of pavilion and car park. It was AGREED that the pavilion could be used during the week by the site foreman as an office; in return Taylor Wimpey would provide a feeder pillar for future electricity supply for potential floodlights. It was also AGREED that part of the car park could be used for visitors to the show homes; in return the existing car park would be re-graded.
- Marketing name. It was noted that Taylor Wimpey had used the name 'Austin Field' to market the site and would also name the roads in memory of Mr Les Austin.

111.3. Mobile phone mast at White Woman Lane

It was AGREED not to respond to the pre application consultation but to wait and respond to the actual planning application when it was made.

112. CHURCH STREET RECREATION GROUND

112.1. New door.

Two quotations for a new front door were considered and it was AGREED to place an order with Ecoanglia in the sum of £745.00, the lowest quotation

112.2. Defibrillator.

Only two of the sports groups had responded, the Junior Football Club positively and the Wensum Bowls Club who were not willing to undertake training. It was AGREED to wait to hear from the other groups before making a decision.

112.3. Other matters. The Old Catton Society had asked about planting a tree for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. It was AGREED that an additional hornbeam to add to the avenue at the entrance to the Recreation Ground would be gratefully received. It was noted that it would be necessary to provide support and protection for the tree while it became established and that, if wished, a commemorative plaque could be fixed to the support.

113. LAVARE` PARK

113.1. Condition of the ground.

It AGREED to check with Norse on the success of their work and if it was likely that the ground would be fit for play in September 2012.

113.2. Potential lease with Old Catton Junior Football Club

The Junior Football Club had yet to respond to the suggestion of a meeting.

114. CHURCHYARD

It was AGREED that Mr J Arnott would discuss with the Vicar the tree works that the Vicar had in mind.

115. STREET LIGHTING

115.1. Development at Austin Field, Spixworth Road. It was AGREED to inform Norfolk County Council that the Council wished for the development to be lit to footway standard and that the Parish Council would take responsibility for its maintenance.

115.2. Loose columns at Catton Chase. It was noted that T T Jones Electrical had surveyed all the lighting columns because recent wet weather following drought had caused some columns in other areas to become loose in the ground. Only three columns with problems had been identified and were in Catton Chase. The cost to fix them securely would be £111.69 each. It was AGREED to get the work done as soon as possible.

116. HIGHWAY MATTERS

116.1. It was AGREED to ask Norfolk County Council to deal with the undulations in Lodge Lane and Spixworth Road (approaching the traffic lights at Lodge Lane) and the missing areas of brick weave on the raised calming areas.

116.2. The question of visibility from the Church Street Junior School car park was discussed. An informal suggestion of a mirror to improve visibility had been made by the school secretary. The advice of the Police was awaited. However, it was felt that it would not be appropriate to fix a mirror to a listed wall in the conservation area.

116.3. It was noted that Norfolk County Council had required payment in advance of placing bollards at Church Street and that a cheque had been posted.

117. CORRESPONDENCE

The list was noted.

118. MATTERS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

Mr B Honess enquired about the way the Parish Plan was used to guide policy. It was noted that matters identified in the plan had been progressed through grant applications, for instance for the MUGA. However, most of the matters were concerned with other authorities over which the Parish Council had no control.

The Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 8.05 pm.

Chairman, 11th June 2012